House Resolution No. 736

Whereas, it is with great pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Honorable Keith Sutherland, who is the proud recipient of a 2003 St. Charles County Heroes for Mental Health award; and

Whereas, the Crider Center for Mental Health will honor Judge Sutherland with the Award of Distinction during a special presentation to be held March 7, 2003, at The Columns in St. Charles, Missouri; and

Whereas, a resident of Warrenton, Missouri, Judge Sutherland currently serves as Judge of the 12th Circuit Court, which includes the counties of Warren, Montgomery, and Audrain; and

Whereas, Judge Sutherland has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Crider Center for Mental Health since 1984, serving as the Board's chairman from 1993 to 1995, and chaired the Mental Health Council of Warren County for more than a decade; and

Whereas, in these positions, Judge Sutherland has been a consistent and effective leader and tireless advocate for the development of mental health and substance abuse services in the area; and

Whereas, Judge Sutherland firmly believes in early intervention and has championed services for families while working to increase prevention and mental health promotion services through the schools; and

Whereas, Judge Sutherland has also worked to increase funding for such services through the United Way, Booneslick Charities, and corporate and individual support; and

Whereas, Judge Sutherland remains a strong voice for the emerging mental health system of care throughout the St. Charles area:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Judge Sutherland upon his most worthy receipt of the Award of Distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Honorable Keith Sutherland.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 736, adopted March 6, 2003.